State of California Department of Education

LAST MINUTE MEMORANDUM

DATE: September 1, 2004

TO: MEMBERS, STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

FROM: Geno Flores, Deputy Superintendent

Assessment and Accountability Branch

RE: Item No. 13

SUBJECT: Accountability: The Academic Performance Index (API) and the Adequate

Yearly Progress (AYP) Results

Attached to this Memorandum are two attachments. They are the August 31, 2004 News Release, titled "O'Connell Releases Data Showing Most California Schools Improve API Scores; Meet Federal AYP Criteria" and a sample 2004 Accountability Progress Report. Attachment 1 is available via the World Wide Web at: http://www.cde.ca.gov/nr/ne/yr04/yr04rel76.asp. Attachment 2 is available via the World Wide Web at http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/ac/ay. Printed copies of both attachments are also available for viewing in the State Board of Education Office.

Attachment 1: Copy of the News Release (5 pages)

Attachment 2: Sample 2004 Accountability Progress Report (APR) (2 pages)